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Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September 2007, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-second session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.
2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 37th and 51st meetings, on 5 May and 13 June 2008. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/62/SR.37 and 51).
3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:
 - (a) Report of the Secretary-General on the final disposition of the assets of UNAMSIL (A/62/756);
 - (b) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/62/781/Add.4).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/62/L.36

4. At its 51st meeting, on 13 June, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone" (A/C.5/62/L.36), submitted by the Chairman on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of South Africa.
5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/62/L.36 without a vote (see para. 6).



III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone,¹ and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,²

Bearing in mind Security Council resolution 1270 (1999) of 22 October 1999, by which the Council established the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council revised and extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 1610 (2005) of 30 June 2005, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission for a final period of six months until 31 December 2005,

Recalling its resolution 53/29 of 20 November 1998 on the financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone and subsequent resolutions on the financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone, the latest of which was resolution 61/288 of 29 June 2007,

Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the Mission,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone and the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone as at 31 March 2008, including the credits in the amount of 89.5 million United States dollars;

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,² and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

Disposition of assets of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone

3. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone;¹

4. *Encourages* Member States that are owed credits for the closed peacekeeping mission accounts to apply those credits to any accounts where the Member State concerned has outstanding assessed contributions;

5. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-third session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone".

¹ A/62/756.

² A/62/781/Add.4.